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The United States Coast Guard Navigation Information Service (NIS), operated by the USCG Navigation Center, provides information for all radionavigation systems. The NIS is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, providing information on the current operational status, effective policies, and general information for GPS, DGPS, and LORAN-C. The NIS also disseminates Safety Broadcasts (BNM), Local Notice to Mariners (LNM) and the latest Notice Advisory to Navstar Users (NANU). NANU notices can also be obtained via e-mail subscription through the USCG Navigation Center website (http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/gps/default.htm). In addition, the NIS investigates all reports of degraded or loss of GPS, DGPS or LORAN-C service. Mariners are encouraged to report all degradation of radionavigation services to the NIS via any of the following: Phone: 703-313-5900, Email: webmaster@navcen.uscg.mil, or on the World Wide Web at http://www.navcen.uscg.gov.

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